

**VERIFIED STATEMENT CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS**  
**(37 CFR 1.9(f) & 1.27 (b))—INDEPENDENT INVENTOR**
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Applicant (s) or Patentee (s): GEORGE WHITMYRE AND HARVEY J. PRICESerial or Patent No.: UNKNOWNFiled : JUNE 23, 1999Title: A RAPID PRODUCTION METHOD FOR THE CARIBBEAN STEEL PAN

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that I qualify as an independent inventor as defined in 37 CFR 1.9(c) for purposes of paying reduced fees to the Patent and Trademark Office described in:

  X   the specification filed herewith with title as listed above.

       the application identified above.

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I have not assigned, granted, conveyed or licensed and am under no obligation under contract or law to assign, grant, convey or license, any rights in the invention to any person who would not qualify as an independent inventor under 37 CFR 1.9(c) if that person had made the invention, or to any concern which would not qualify as a small business concern under 37 CFR 1.9(d) or a nonprofit organization under 37 CFR 1.9(e).

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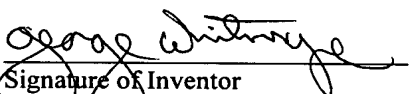
Separate verified statements are required from each named person, concern, or organization having rights to the invention averring to their status as small entities. (37 CFR 1.27)

I acknowledge the duty to file, in this application or patent, notification of any change in status resulting in loss of entitlement to small entity status prior to paying, or at the time of paying, the earliest of the issue fee or any maintenance fee due after the date on which status as a small entity is no longer appropriate. (37 CFR 1.28(b))

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NAME OF INVENTOR




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NAME OF INVENTOR



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**DECLARATION and  
POWER OF ATTORNEY**

As a below-named inventor, I declare that I believe that I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed in the specification identified below and for which a patent is sought on the invention as titled therein. I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of said specification including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to herein. I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR §1.56.

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**Title of the Invention:****A RAPID PRODUCTION METHOD FOR THE CARIBBEAN STEEL PAN**

☒ Patent specification attached.

☐ Patent specification was filed on \_\_\_\_\_ as U.S. application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_  
and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_ (if applicable).

☒ No earlier-filed foreign applications of which priority benefit is claimed.

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☒ No earlier-filed U.S. applications of which priority benefit is claimed.

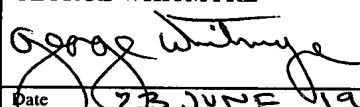
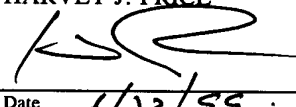
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**DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY**

**POWER OF ATTORNEY:** The power to prosecute this application and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith is hereby granted to the following ☒ attorney(s) ☐ agent(s):

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I further declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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<b>Date</b> <b>23 JUNE 1999</b>	<b>Date</b> <b>6/23/99</b>	<b>Date</b>

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Required information as to earlier-filed foreign applications of which priority benefit is claimed.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

**Country****Application No.****Filing Date****Priority Claimed (Yes-No)**☐

Required information as to earlier-filed U.S. applications of which priority benefit is claimed.

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §120 of any United States application(s) listed below and insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, §112. I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR §1.56, which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application.

**U.S. Application Serial No.****U.S. Filing Date****Status(patented, pending or abandoned)**

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